

# STATEMENT OF PROCEEDINGS FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUSINESS LICENSE COMMISSION KENNETH HAHN HALL OF ADMINISTRATION 500 WEST TEMPLE STREET, ROOM 374-A LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA 90012

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Wednesday, March 28, 2012

9:00 AM

AUDIO FOR THE ENTIRE MEETING. (12-1389)

Attachments: AUDIO

Present: President Afriat, Vice President Campbell, Secretary Vasquez

and Commissioner Lee

Absent: Commissioner Barger

Call to Order. (12-1358)

The meeting was called to order by President Afriat at 9:05 a.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Afriat.

### I. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER

**1.** Approval of Minutes from Meeting of March 14, 2012. (12-1357)

On motion of Vice President Campbell, seconded by President Afriat, this item was approved.

Attachments: SUPPORTING DOCUMENT

### II. PUBLIC HEARINGS

2. Hearing on application for issuance of new Information Card and Notice of Intention to Solicit to Enrique Chiock, BREATHE California of Los Angeles County, located at 5858 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 300, Los Angeles, CA 90036. (12-1353)

Dan Witzling, representative for Enrique Chiock, indicated that the charity is an independent lung health organization, originally created to address the tuberculosis crisis in Southern California and Mr. Witzling provided an overview of the organization's history.

Commissioner Campbell asked Mr. Witzling to elaborate on means taken by the organization in order to accomplish its mission of clean air and healthy lungs through research, education, and technology.

Mr. Witzling indicated that the organization works, partners and at times co-funds research with other entities for several programs, such as O24u, that focus on preventative and managed care for lung diseases.

President Afriat inquired about financial decisions made by the organization.

Mr. Witzling stated that the organization holds an active board of up to 25 people but currently has about 22 to 23 members, with an Executive Committee that governs decision making. The organization has a very proactive committee-base structure with development marketing, program research and other committees that work aside board members to propose budgets in the program of work, each year. The board meets 4 times a year and the Executive Committee meets 6 times a year. For checks over \$5,000, two signatures are required.

Mr. Witzling advised the Commission that Mr. Chiock could not make it to the hearing due to a scheduled surgery.

Robert Jo, representative for Enrique Chiock, mentioned the organization has ten full-time employees and four part-time employees. Mr. Jo also advised of the target funding level being projected at \$2 million by the end of this fiscal year in June. Mr. Witzling added that although the organization may use some parameters, budgets are handled using a zero-base budgeting approach each year.

On motion of Commissioner Campbell, seconded by Commissioner Vasquez, the Commission approved the issuance of an information Card.

On motion of Commissioner Campbell, seconded by President Afriat, the Commission received the Notice of Intention to Solicit.

**Ayes:** 4 - President Afriat, Vice President Campbell, Secretary Vasquez and Commissioner Lee

Attachments: SUPPORTING DOCUMENT

3. Six Month Review on Entertainment-General Business License ID#134736, for Uni He Yang, owner of Joy Karaoke, located at 2020 S. Hacienda Blvd., Suite K Hacienda Heights, CA 91745 in the Fourth District as requested at the meeting of September 14, 2011. (11-3673)

Rosalind Cooper, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC), reported that there have been no complaints received by her office.

Alice Wong, Department of Regional Planning reported that there have been no issues or complaints received by Zoning Enforcement Inspectors within the six month review period.

Uni Yang, owner of Joy Karaoke stated that the business has been operating in compliance with the conditions of the license and there have been no issues.

Wen Li, advised that he is part owner of Joy Karaoke.

Rosalind Cooper stated that their records did not indicate Mr. Li as an owner on the business license application and requested that the applicant submit his information to TTC for review.

On motion of Commissioner Lee, seconded by Vice President Campbell, this item was referred back to TTC with the following requirement:

- 1. Information for owner, Wen Li, must be furnished to TTC within 30 days. This information should consist of address, telephone number, and copy of driver's license.
- 2. TTC reserves the right for further review by the Business License Commission should the additional ownership information warrant a hearing.

**Ayes:** 4 - President Afriat, Vice President Campbell, Secretary Vasquez and Commissioner Lee

**Attachments:** SUPPORTING DOCUMENT

SEPTEMBER 14, 2011 MEETING RESULTS

4. Hearing on application for Massage Parlor-General Business License ID# 138480, to issue a new license to Xiwen Shan, owner of Day & Day Foot Massage located at 15865 E. Gale Ave., Hacienda Heights, CA 91745 in the Fourth District. (12-0720)

Rosalind Cooper, Treasurer and Tax Collector's Office (TTC) reported that the application is being handled by the Sheriff's Department and the applicant has obtained all the necessary County approvals.

Alice Wong, Department of Regional Planning (DRP) reported that the Zoning Enforcement Section received a recent complaint on the business regarding signage. Upon inspection, DRP found that not all technicians were California Massage Therapy Council (CAMTC) certified.

Xiwen Shan, owner of Day & Day Foot Massage, through his interpreter, stated that there are two full-time employees and one part-time employee. The location offers foot and body massage.

Commissioner Lee informed the applicant that a letter of complaint was received from a constituent accusing the business of employing unlicensed technicians and displaying certificates at the location that belong to people who do not work there. A copy of the letter was provided to the applicant.

Mr. Shan informed the Commission of an incident that occurred while he was not present at the business when a visiting acquaintance who is a Doctor, assisted with client massages without permission.

After discussion, on motion of Commissioner Lee, seconded by President Afriat, this item was continued to April 18, 2012 for a report back from the Sheriff's Department, TTC, and DRP on the investigation of allegations indicated in the letter of complaint received by TTC.

**Ayes:** 4 - President Afriat, Vice President Campbell, Secretary Vasquez and Commissioner Lee

**Attachments:** SUPPORTING DOCUMENT

# **III. REPORT**

**5.** Commissioners' Comments. (12-1359)

The Commission agreed to cancel the regular meeting scheduled for April 4, 2012. A roundtable meeting, to discuss issues related to massage parlors, is scheduled for April 4, 2012 at 8:30 A.M. The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2012.

### **IV. MISCELLANEOUS**

# **Public Comment**

6. Opportunity for members of the public to address the Committee on items of interest that are within the jurisdiction of the Committee. (12-1360)

No members of the public addressed the Commission.

# **Adjournment**

**7.** Adjournment for the meeting of March 28, 2012. (12-1361)

The Commission adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.